

Specialist education degrees

Code	Campus	Duration	Credit points	Start trimester	Admission requirements
Graduate Certificate in Autism Studies 					
3270	O	0.5F/ 1P	40	1/2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bachelor degree in any discipline with a minimum GPA of 4.5 or ■ A qualification leading to professional registration (e.g., nursing) or ■ 5 years relevant work experience and capacity to study successfully at a postgraduate level, including competent oral and written communication skills
Master of Autism Studies 					
5595	O*	1F/2P	80	1/2	Graduate Certificate in Autism Studies with a minimum GPA of 4.5

* Online study with the option of one-day on-campus intensives for some courses.

What you'll study

These degrees, offered by the Autism Centre of Excellence, have a multidisciplinary, whole-of-life focus and are designed for people who want to provide quality intervention and management for people with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). In the graduate certificate, you'll gain a foundation in ASD, including communication, learning style and behaviour management.

In the masters, you'll build on this knowledge and learn about critical issues in autism such as transitions, collaborative practices and environmental management. You'll gain a comprehensive understanding and skills in research and practice for individuals with ASD, which will enable you to work effectively with learners with autism and their families at home, in school, at work and in the community.

These degrees address an area of acute need as determined by the Australian Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, Australian Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, Queensland Department of Education and Training, and the Queensland Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services.

Career opportunities

As a graduate, you'll be well equipped to advance into leadership and specialist roles in education, health, government policy, social work and service provision for people with ASD and their families.

Educators with specialised knowledge in providing for the needs of learners with ASDs are in high demand in public and private education sectors, and you may find work as a specialist teacher, school leader, curriculum leader or consultant.

Code	Campus	Duration	Credit points	Start trimester	Admission requirements
Graduate Certificate in Special Needs Education 					
3020	O	1P	40	1/2	Bachelor degree (or equivalent). Full-time teaching experience is desirable.
Master of Special Needs and Intervention Education 					
5114	O	1F/2P	80	1/2	Graduate Certificate in Special Needs Education or equivalent with a minimum GPA of 4.5

What you'll study

These degrees will equip you with the knowledge and skills to advance your professional career in special and inclusive education, including moving into leadership roles.

You'll develop special education skills at an advanced level and an understanding of the general principles and practices of the education of students with special needs. At the masters level you'll also develop research skills that will be applied to a research project in special and inclusive education.

Career opportunities

You'll find employment opportunities as an inclusion teacher, support teacher or special education teacher working in a range of educational settings. You'll be able to advance your professional career to senior leadership positions in special and inclusive education.

Please note that these degrees do not lead to teacher registration.